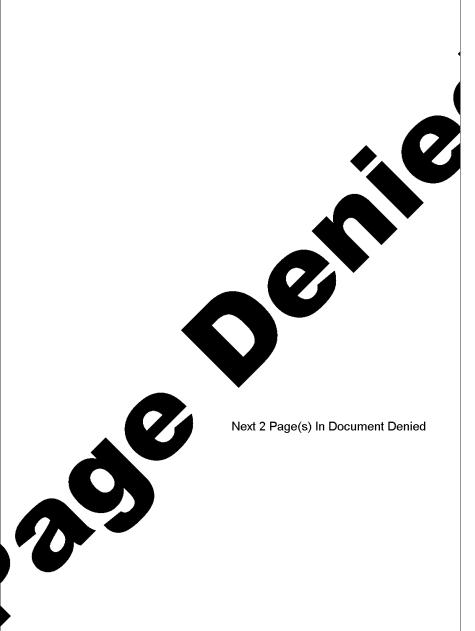
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

March 17, 1988

Honorable William H. Webster Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Director:

Though the crisis-ridden climate in Central America is a much discussed topic, the political and economic stability of Mexico has not received the same scrutiny. As you know, the Soviet Union, Cuba, Libya and several Warsaw Pact nations have been providing military assistance to the Communist regime in Nicaragua. Because of this, I believe that a thorough top secret analysis of the status of the Mexican Defense Forces is in

More specifically, to what extent are countries aligned with the Soviet Union providing military training, advice, or assistance to Mexican military personnel or civilian defense officials? While this question needs answering, the analysis need not be confined to it alone.

Thank you for your assistance.

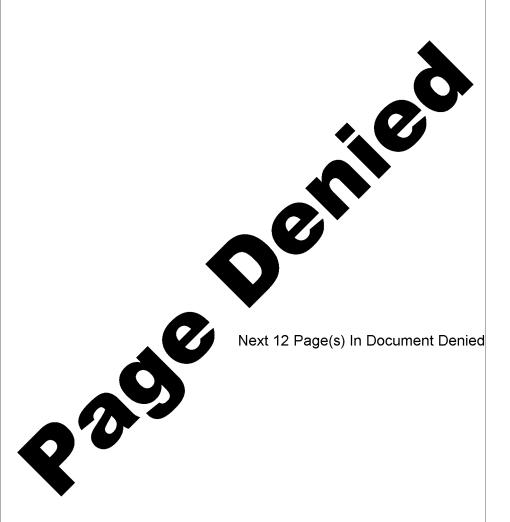
Yours respectfully,

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United States Senator

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